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REF: SEOUL 6386

1. ON AUGUST 26, SUPREME COURT TURNED DOWN APPEAL BY MYONGDONG DEFENDANTS FOR REPLACEMENT OF PANEL OF JUDGES PRESIDING AT THEIR TRIAL.

2. THE STAGE IS NOW CLEARED FOR THE SENTENCING OF THE MYONGDONG DEFENDANTS ON AUGUST 28. HOWEVER, SOURCES CLOSE TO THE DEFENDANTS REPORT RUMORS THAT THE JUDGES HEARING THE CASE MAY SEEK TO POSTPONE SENTENCING BECAUSE PREPARATION OF THE SENTENCES AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR SO MANY DEFENDANTS HAS PROVEN MORE TIME CONSUMING THAN EXPECTED. WHILE SUCH A DEVELOPMENT IS POSSIBLE, THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN INDEPENDENT CONFIRMATION THAT IT IS LIKELY.
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